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Disability Commission Minutes 09/20/2006

MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 20, 2006

Members Present: Lin Baker, Barbara Cutler, Kerrie Fallon, Barbara Jones
Kevin O'Brien

Members Absent: Susan James, Louis Krodel

Staff Present: Jack Jones

Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2006:

Lin made a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2006. SO VOTED

Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2006:

Kevin made a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2006.
SO VOTED

Town Day 2006:

Jack said that Maureen, Susan and Kerrie were available at the Commission's Both on Town Day to answer questions and provide information pertaining to disability issues and concerns. Jack acknowledged the efforts of Barbara C. in writing the 8th annual Arlington Access News Letter. Jack said that he would prepare a mailing list to be used for distributing this newsletter and to be used for other mailings from the Commission.

Update on Curb Ramp Work:

Jack said that John Sanchez, Director of Public Works, was hopeful that curb ramp work funded with CDBG funds could be started during the fall of 2006. Jack said that a list of curb ramp work would be given to John Sanchez within the next few days. Jack said that the average curb cut with tactical warnings costs approximately \$2,000. Barbara requested that a map of Arlington be available for future Commission Meetings to assist with any discussion of locations for curb ramp work.

Walkway at Dallin School:

Jack said that the walkway between the Dallin School and the adjoining playfield has been installed. Jack also said that the Town would install a platform near the walkway to support a bench to be dedicated in the memory of Tom Boudreau.

Old Business:

Barbara C. requested that a paved path for pedestrians be installed between Varnum St. and the Donald R. Marquis Bike Trail. Barbara C. also said that the concrete block used to block cars from entering the Bike Trail should be turned to allow for a wider path of travel for pedestrians. Jack said that he would follow up on these requests.

New Business:

Maureen said that she had received a request to install curb cuts at the intersection of Newland Rd. and Blossom St. The Commission agreed that because of the proximity of the Peirce School to this intersection that priority should be given to installing these curb cut ramps.

Kerrie discussed a concern pertaining to accessibility of boarding busses at Broadway Plaza. Kerrie said that because bricks have become unstable and because busses have a problem pulling up to the sidewalk at Broadway Plaza boarding the busses in a wheelchair at this stop is very difficult. Kevin said that he would look into this matter.

Community Development Update:

No news was discussed.

Legislative Update:

No news was discussed.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.